



TRUDEAU MARRIED: Prime Minister Pierre Elliott Trudeau was married Thursday to Margaret Sinclair in a quiet ceremony at St. Stevens Roman Catholic Church in North Vancouver, B.C. They are shown together at a ball in Ottawa in October, 1969. (CP Wirephoto)

VANCOUVER, B.C. (AP) — The 22-year-old daughter of a veteran politician has ended the long bachelorhood of Canada's Prime Minister Pierre Elliott Trudeau.

Trudeau, 51, and Margaret Sinclair were honeymooning today at a ski resort north of her home in Vancouver. They plan to return to Ottawa next week.

The nation was stunned by the announcement late Thursday night that the couple had married at St. Stephen's Roman Catholic church here "in a quiet ceremony attended only by members of the two families."

MET IN TAHITI
Trudeau met Miss Sinclair in Tahiti three years ago while both were on vacation. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. James Sinclair of Vancouver. Her father is a longtime power in the Liberal party, a former cabinet minister and a member of the Privy Council.

The bride's mother, who is two years younger than the prime minister, said after the wedding, "It wasn't sudden. They gave a lot of thought to it."

Trudeau had dated Miss Sinclair frequently, but the public did not suspect a romance. Much more attention was paid to his infrequent but widely publicized dates with singer Barbra Streisand.

The prime minister flew to Vancouver from Ottawa

Thursday afternoon, ostensibly for a skiing vacation. Nothing more was heard of him until an aide called The Canadian Press late in the evening with the announcement of the wedding.

Trudeau's brother Charles was his best man and one of Miss Sinclair's four sisters, Rosalind, was her bridesmaid.

After the service in North Vancouver, the wedding party went to a country club for dinner; there were 13 at the table.

From the country club, the bride and groom went to the Sinclair home in West Vancouver, then left by car with a plainclothesman at the wheel. They reportedly went to a private lodge in

the Whistler Mountain area.

"One thing they wanted was a wedding with nobody around, and we got it, we got it," crowed the bride's father, a building company executive since he left politics.

In making arrangements with the priest, the photographer and everyone else,

he had used the name "Pierre Mercier" for the prime minister. Not until the last minute did they learn the name was Pierre Trudeau.

Mrs. Sinclair said the bride baked the wedding cake herself.

The bride was born in (See back page, sec. 1, col. 7)

BRIDE BAKES OWN CAKE *Trudeau Weds Beauty, 22*

Nixon Says Laos Drive A Success

WASHINGTON (AP) — President Nixon says the Laotian operation ensures continuation of U.S. troop withdrawals from Indochina, but adds there are no plans for American support of an invasion of North Vietnam.

In a televised news conference Thursday night, Nixon said a U.S. force must remain in the South as long as the North holds American prisoners.

WAR ISSUE
And he vigorously defended Secretary of State William P. Rogers—"my oldest and closest friend in the Cabinet"—against a charge by Sen. Stuart Symington, D-Mo., that Rogers had lost his role to Henry Kissinger, the President's national-security-affairs adviser.

"I think Sen. Symington's attack upon the secretary frankly was a cheap shot," Nixon said, adding that he wasn't condemning Symington for his statement in the Senate Tuesday.

"As to whether either Secretary Rogers or Dr. Kissinger is the top adviser, as to who is on first," Nixon said, "the answer to that of course is very simply that the secretary of state is always the chief foreign-policy adviser and the chief foreign-policy spokesman of the administration."

WAR DOMINATES TALK
The Indochina war dominated the half-hour news session devoted to foreign affairs. The President went to some length in pronouncing the Laos operation a success.

U.S. troop withdrawals have been averaging roughly 12,000 a month since Nixon began reducing the 543,500-man U.S. force in mid-1969. By May 1 the U.S. force remaining in South Vietnam is slated to be down to 284,000, and the President plans to announce further withdrawals next month.

"Our troop-withdrawal schedule will go forward at least at the present rate," Nixon said.

He said the U.S. commander in Vietnam, Gen. Creighton W. Abrams, "tells me that in both Laos and in Cambodia his evaluation after three weeks of fighting is that — to use his terms — the South Vietnamese by themselves can hack it . . ."

"This means that our withdrawal program, our Vietnamization program is a success, and can continue on schedule, and we trust even ahead of schedule assuming there is more progress in Laos."

Nixon said Abrams reported the South Vietnamese units in Laos already have cut North Vietnamese southbound truck traffic by 55 per cent, "which means that those trucks that do not go South will not carry the arms and the men that will be killing Americans."

While some television commentators have kept up a drumbeat of criticism, Nixon said without naming anyone, the aim of the Cambodian and Laotian operations has been to reduce U.S. forces and casualties and "that is exactly what this administration has done."

"We are going to continue to reduce our forces, and we are getting out of Vietnam in a way that Vietnam will be able to defend itself," he said.

Nixon portrayed talk by South Vietnamese President Nguyen Van Thieu of possibly invading North Vietnam as natural for the leader of a country under invasion. But he drew limits on what the United States might do.

'NO GROUND FORCES'
"We will have no ground forces in North Vietnam, in Cambodia or in Laos" outside of rescuers for fliers or prisoners, Nixon said. He said U.S. airpower will be used against the North, against threatening missile sites and against military

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Nixon Asks \$2 Billion For Cities

WASHINGTON (AP) — President Nixon asked Congress today to approve a \$2 billion revenue-sharing fund for urban development—one that he said would not strap any current efforts such as the model cities program.

Nixon, in a special message, also proposed that the federal government set aside an extra \$100 million a year to help states and local governments upgrade their skills in long-range planning, budget decision-making and the coordination of complex development activities in many fields.

'EXCESSIVE CONTROL'
Arguing that present urban development programs are "excessively fragmented" and impose "excessive federal control," Nixon said \$1.6 billion of the annual kitty he proposes would go directly to recognized metropolitan areas.

"Cities would be able to spend their money as they see fit," he said, "provided only that they used it for community development purposes."

The remaining \$400 billion would be distributed by the Secretary of Housing and Urban Development, largely to make certain that no community would receive less federal money under revenue-sharing than under existing programs.

While Nixon proposed that his plan go into effect Jan. 1, he promised "there will be no lessening of federal support for urban development activities" between now and then.

However, he said Washington will "discourage applications for new conventional urban renewal projects—since they would tie up future funds today which would mean cash through

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WITH EMPHASIS: President Nixon speaks with emphasis in answering a question at his news conference Thursday night in the White House. (AP Wirephoto)

GETS JOB Delinquent Father Freed From Jail

A St. Joseph father of three jailed Feb. 11 for six months after he fell behind in child support payments won early release Thursday after obtaining a job through the mails from jail.

John Schoenhals, Berrien friend of the court, said James D. Whitcomb obtained a fulltime job at a twin cities plant by writing the company from jail.

Whitcomb was jailed by Judge Julian Hughes after allegedly accumulating a \$3,408 arrearage and admitting to the judge he had just returned from a European vacation.

Thursday the judge released him from jail, ordered his probation to Schoenhals extended two years, ordered \$45 weekly child support as before and permitted Schoenhals to set arrearage payments.

Schoenhals said Whitcomb may soon take a second job driving a truck to pay the arrearage.

AUTO SPECIALTIES

James Tiscornia Gets New Posts

The board of directors of Auto Specialties Manufacturing Co., St. Joseph, has appointed James W. Tiscornia executive vice president and a director, succeeding S. H. Paul who retired last week.

Other members of the board of directors are Lester C. Tiscornia, Walter B. Laetz and S. C. Stanley, all of the Twin

Cities; and R. A. Mewhort, Detroit.

James Tiscornia for the past six months was assistant to the executive vice president. He previously was assistant to the manager of the Riverside foundry.

A graduate of St. Joseph high school and Michigan State university, 1966, Tiscornia entered the Army as a private and rose to first lieutenant. He was discharged in 1969 after serving as commanding officer of a supply company in South Korea.

During vacations while attending school, Tiscornia was employed at Auto Specialties as laborer in the alloy foundry, later progressing to sand technician and day-floor supervisor. He also was a processing



JAMES W. TISCORNIA

foreman and heat treat superintendent at Riverside.

Tiscornia is a member of the board of the YMCA, a member of the St. Joseph Congregational church, Twin Cities Rotary club, St. Joseph Elks, Berrien Hills Country club, Malleable Founders society and the American Foundrymen's society.

He is the son of Ausco President Lester and Mrs. Tiscornia.

Mr. and Mrs. James Tiscornia and two sons live at 1776 Trafalgar street, St. Joseph.

Students, Troops Clash In Turkey

Two Die In Hunt For Kidnappers

ANKARA, Turkey (AP) — One student and a Turkish soldier were killed and more than a dozen troops and students were injured today in a gunfight when troops tried to enter a university dormitory to search for four kidnapped American airmen.

The troops surrounded the Technical University. The students threw dynamite sticks and fired on the soldiers from windows and the roof.

A commando unit was rushed to the campus and opened up with rifles and automatic weapons on the students. Military helicopters buzzed the roof,

scattering the rebellious youths. Security officials said at first the situation was under control, but newsmen on the scene said fighting broke out again a short time later.

DEATHS CONFIRMED

A doctor at a military hospital near the campus confirmed the student's death and said "we have wounded coming in in droves." A government source said the soldier died of a head wound.

Student disturbances to protest the search at the technical university were reported at several other campuses in Ankara.

Thousands of police and troops were searching for the missing men. The government seemed determined to defy the terrorists' threat to shoot the captives unless \$400,000 in ransom is paid by Saturday morning.

4 ABDUCTED

Five armed Turks abducted the four Air Force radar technicians early Thursday as they were driving from a U.S. radar base on the outskirts of Ankara to their billets.

The Americans are Sgt. Jimmie J. Sexton of San Angelo, Tex., and Airmen I.C. Larry J.

Heavner of Denver, Colo., Richard Caraszi of Stamford, Conn., and James M. Gholson of Alexandria, Va.

Gholson's mother, Mrs. Mary Ann Gholson, today sharply criticized President Nixon's comment at a White House news conference Thursday night that he "would not suggest that the Turkish government negotiate" with the kidnappers.

"I think if that's his attitude, he's not much of a President," she said. "He's not the kind of man I thought he was."

She said the Turkish government should negotiate for the airmen's release and, if the kidnappers want money, "we should give it to them."

UP TO U.S.
"The U.S. government sent them there, not their parents. So it's up to the United States to get them back," she said.

She made her comments to station WRC, the National Broadcasting Company's radio and television affiliate in Washington.

Sexton's wife Barbara is in Ankara with their 9-month-old son. She would not talk with newsmen, but a neighbor said she was four or five months pregnant and "in terrible shape" because of the kidnapping.

YOUTH ARRESTED

Several hours after the abduction, police arrested a youth as he parked the airmen's station wagon near the Soviet Embassy. They said he was Mete Ertekin, a former student at the technical university.

Ertekin admitted that he and four other leftists carried out the kidnapping, police said. He

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WAYNE STEVENS
Tells of cutback

DeFrancesco.

POPULATION SHIFTS

The township found itself going into the red early this year when they discovered they were getting less money returns from the state than anticipated. The township received a smaller amount because of a shift of population from the township.

The reduction could strain both departments. The police department presently has 22 men including the chief, a captain, a lieutenant and three sergeants. The fire department has 16 men, including the fire chief.

Hearing Aid Counselor to hold free Beldone hearing aid service center & consultation clinic today 4 to 10 p.m. & Sat. 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Hotel Vincent. Adv.

Benton Will Cut 10 Jobs

Layoffs Affect Police, Fire Departments

Ten men will be cut from the Benton township fire and police departments, a township spokesman announced today. The layoffs are a result of a \$123,000 deficit in the current township budget.

Wayne Stevens, administrative assistant, said the 10 men will be laid off probably at the end of the township fiscal period, which ends March 31. How many from each department remains to be determined, he said.

Stevens said another meeting

was to be held today to see where the cuts could be made. The township officials have been meeting with the police and fire departments the past two days.

OTHER CUTS

The cuts follow three made in the clerk's office, including Stevens, who has resigned following two years' employment with the township. Others released included Jake Webb, rehabilitation inspector, and Betty Jones, a bookkeeper.

Stevens said the layoffs will eliminate \$100,000 in wages and benefits in the police and fire budgets and \$20,000 in the clerk's office budget. Men with the least seniority will probably be released, he said.

Stevens has been attending the township meetings with Supervisor Martin J. Lane, Clerk L. G. Benson, Treasurer Tony Angelo, Jr., and Atty. Royce

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Editorial Page

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Campaign
Spending Limits

Back in 1890 the New York state legislature adopted a Corrupt Practices Act to refine the art of electing a person to public office.

Padding the registration lists, bribing the precinct workers, buying votes for cash or a couple of drinks, and free spending in all directions were the custom of the day. Michigan copied the Empire State model a few years later and today it is in all state and federal statute books.

The spending limitation has fared worse than any of the objectives toward which the Act is aimed.

It is so loosely defined as to be impossible of enforcement even if anyone wished to invoke its provisions.

Television's advent as the politician's best friend or his worst enemy depending on how he comes through the boob tube to the viewer has compounded the spending question no end. TV time runs the prettiest penny of all the tricks in a politico's hat.

Aside from the politicians who very understandably have an interest in some types of economy, a good many people worry that success at the polls relates directly to the war chest available to a candidate or a party.

John F. Kennedy who distributed a sizeable chunk of the family fortune in storming through several preferential primaries suggested, following his 1960 election, that Congress appropriate a campaign allowance to all candidates for federal office and ban private contributions to those people. He proposed confining the idea to all significant candidates, meaning actually the Democratic and Republican standard bearers.

Two days ago Atty. Joseph A. Califano, general counsel for the Democratic National Committee, revived the JFK theory which never caught fire before.

Testifying before a Senate Communications Subcommittee, Califano said this federal subsidy is the only reliable deterrent against a candidate or a party becoming an economic hostage to individuals or groups with sufficient money to buy their views into government itself.

He said that in 1968, shortly after the Democratic national convention, Stewart R. Mott, the millionaire son of the late Charles S. Mott, a founder of General Motors, sought to take advantage of the party's bare pantry.

Young Mott wrote Hubert Humphrey a letter promising a personal contribution of a million or two and a guaranty of doubling or tripling that amount from others if the Democratic nominee answered certain questions to his satisfaction.

Prior to the nomination Mott had financed Eugene McCarthy quite extensively and also Nelson Rockefeller whom Nixon blunted in the G.O.P. infighting.

Mott was one of the early doves on Viet Nam.

The meeting with Humphrey never materialized, nor did Mott's money surface in the subsequent campaign. Hobbled as he was by his party's lack of funds, Humphrey came within a whisker of winning the election by his 11th hour repudiation of the Johnson Administration's hawkish stand on the war. By the same token, Nixon with an unlimited budget at his disposal nearly lost the cause by refusing to pound away at Humphrey as a man with no choice but to continue LBJ's Viet Nam policy.

Bald as was Mott's overture to Humphrey, it doesn't support Califano's sweeping thesis that a federal campaign dole is the only way to prevent a few well heeled individuals or groups from "buying" America.

Once installed in office, many a politico displays less than a Phi Beta Kappa mentality, but the vast majority at least recognize what the public will accept or reject regardless of how much is spent on the sales pitch.

Much as he yearned for operating funds, from Mott or elsewhere, Humphrey recognized the peril in repudiating immediately that which he had been a party to and still was, as Vice President, during LBJ's Administration.

Having the government pay for a choice of its mastery is more than flirting with dictatorship. The campaign chest bureaucrat could be counted upon to get the money to those he feels favorable to his side of the fence and mighty slow to parcelling out the green stuff to the opposition. A third party outfit which Republicans and Democrats together view as a threat to the establishment might receive its check after the votes were counted.

Campaign spending may be frenetic but it is not so abandoned as Califano tries to demonstrate.

Curbing Miranda

Emergence of a conservative bloc on the U. S. Supreme Court led by Chief Justice Burger has put the brakes to further broadening of the Warren Court's Miranda doctrine.

This is the succession of rulings which some contend handcuff police and frustrate prosecution.

The original Miranda decision required the police to inform suspects of their rights to silence, to counsel before questioning and, if indigent, to free legal representation.

Later, the court extended the ruling to apply to any "custodial" situation, thus obliging a police officer, at the instance of confrontation, to proceed with a recitation of the suspect's rights, lest any information subsequently obtained be found inadmissible at trial.

The Burger Court has ruled that such information, if obtained unconstitutionally, is not "per se" useless, but may be used to contradict a defendant's testimony if he takes the stand and tells a different story.

Chief Justice Burger carefully considered the equities in writing the majority opinion, weighing the opportunity for police abuse against the possibility that Miranda could serve as a "license for perjury."

The liberal bloc, Justice Brennan speaking, took the opposite tack, seeing in the majority's view a license for police to disregard Miranda, knowing that the information might ultimately become usable anyway.

The major significance of the Burger decision lies in its signaling an end to the era of liberalizing the rights of defendants in criminal cases, often through tortured interpretations of the Constitution, at the expense of just prosecution and respect for the law.

Such a stop sign is not only warranted by excesses of the recent past, but is justified on sensible grounds of what is basically right and wrong.

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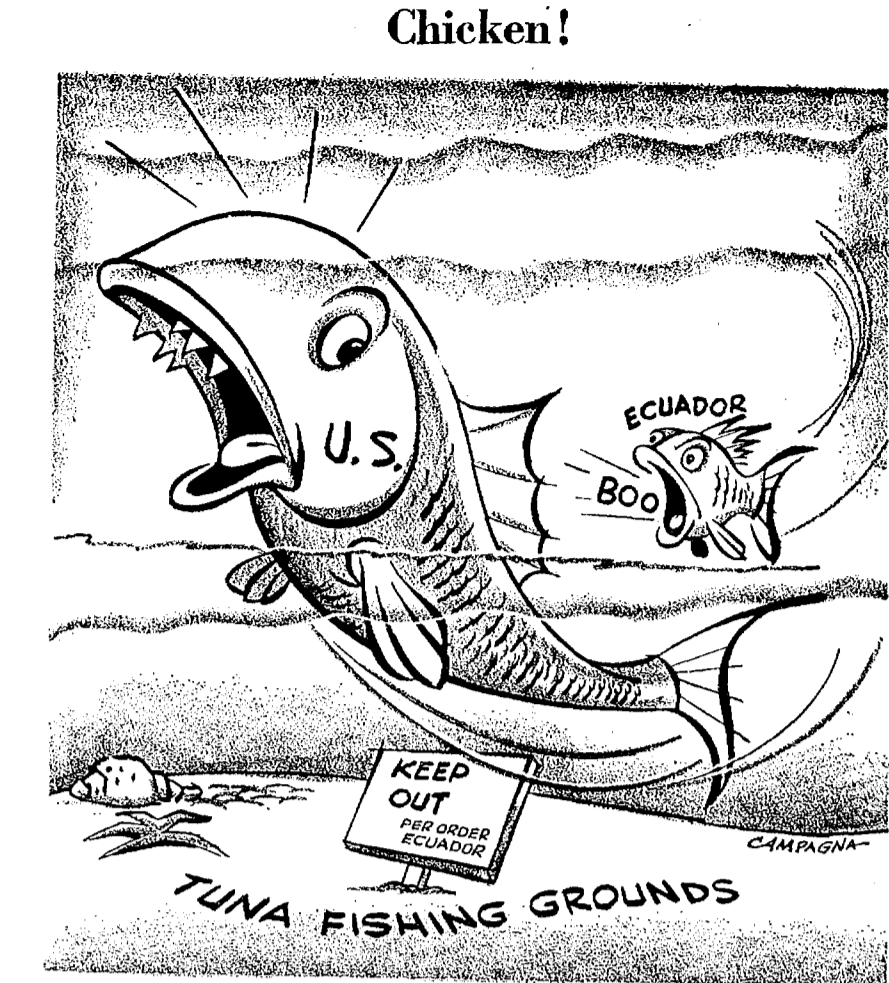
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A Scream

Everyone ought to have a good scream now and then. That is the opinion of Dr. Daniel Casriel, a psychiatrist at a drug rehabilitation community in New York which has a 75 per cent cure rate.

At the root of emotional problems, says the psychiatrist, are unexpressed anguish, fear and rage. Getting the patient to release these pent-up emotions in a good, healthy, scream, the louder and longer the better, is good therapy.



GLANCING BACKWARDS

UNIT GETS NEW CHIEF
—1 Year Ago—
Thomas Walker, 45, a boy scout since 1936 and a professional scout leader since 1947, has been selected as top Executive for Southwestern Michigan Council, Boy Scouts of America.

Dr. Jack Bronfenbrenner, council president, announced the selection today. Walker succeeds Clifford Klapp who retired recently after a 44-year scouting career. Walker takes over as scout executive of the Barrien — Cass Van Buren county units which make up the Southwestern Michigan council from Detroit. Walker was assistant director of Field Service for the Detroit council.

BRIDGMAN CLIPS LAKESHORE
—30 Years Ago—
It was a cold night at

Lakeshore last night, the Lancers couldn't buy a basket and went down to a 58-44 Big Eight defeat at the hands of the Bridgman Bees in the season finale for both clubs.

Coach Ron Shaffer's Bees finished in second place in the league with a 10-4 and won 12 of 17 games on the overall season.

SIAM, CHINESE NEARER TRUCE
—30 Years Ago—
Agreement on the "principal points" of Japan's mediation plan to settle the territorial quarrel between French Indo-China and Thailand was announced officially today. The remaining points were being negotiated.

The French ambassador, Charles Arsene Henry, and Foreign Minister Yosuke Matsuoka conferred for an hour in late afternoon "regarding remaining points of detail, excluding

the principal points, which already are agreed to buy the French and Thai governments," the Japanese cabinet board of information announced.

RECEIVE FRANCHISE
—40 Years Ago—
A corporation franchise was today granted the Super Ironer corporation, of St. Joseph, by the secretary of state, according to a press dispatch from Lansing. The Super Ironer will succeed the Watts Laundry Machine company here. Lester W. Brann is president of the new organization, Joseph C. Marshall, vice president, and C. H. Hatch, secretary and treasurer.

TO SERVE
—50 Years Ago—
Frank Hildebrand and James M. Truscott left this morning to serve on the federal grand jury in Grand Rapids.

EDITOR'S MAILBAG

Editor,
The Herald-PRESS:
REP. MITTAN ANSWERS CHAMBER PRESIDENT
"In view of southwestern Michigan's opposition to Daylight Savings Time, I would like the opportunity to answer a recent letter to your newspaper from Harry Hall, president of the Michigan State Chamber of Commerce.

"During the week of Feb. 14, William Wickham, identified by Mr. Hall as 'general counsel' for the State Chamber, but listed in Lansing as a paid lobbyist for the Chamber, called at my office. Mr. Wickham said my statements regarding the chamber in the present time controversy had caused his group 'great problems' in western Michigan and disavowed all connection for the Chamber with the present push for 'fast time'. After an hour of discussion, in which further denials of State Chamber involvement were made, and after candid admission of Chamber leadership in the 1967-1968 'fast time' push, Mr. Wickham asked if anything could be done to clear up the situation. I offered that if Mr. Hall would write a letter stating a categorical denial that he personally, or the Chamber, had any part of the present 'double Daylight Savings Time' movement, I would send out a news release, carrying the full text of his letter and a note of my own admitting I had been misinformed. Mr. Wickham, in front of witnesses, agreed.

"I heard nothing further in the matter until I read Mr. Hall's vicious letter in this newspaper. In going over that letter, I am convinced that while Mr. Hall apparently could deny State Chamber participation in the matter, he went out of his way to avoid a similar personal denial.

"To me, if the president of a service organization enters into an issue as controversial as 'double Daylight Savings Time', he, at least by implication, involves that organization.

"As for the facts in the four year long 'time issue', the State Chamber, under the enthusiastic leadership of Mr. Hall, was successful in overturning the action of the Legislature which exempted Michigan from the Federal Time Act in 1967. The State Chamber drive arbitrarily placed the State on 'double Daylight Savings Time' during the summers

of 1967 and 1968. In November of the latter year, the people of the State defeated Daylight Savings Time. In 1970, another 'fast time' drive, led by some Chambers of Commerce, notably not the Twin Cities group, failed to place the issue on the ballot by reason of lack of valid petitions. Using the insufficient petitions of 1970, and adding new names, the group was successful in placing the matter before the Legislature this year under the 'Initiatory' section of the 1963 Constitution. In simple words, the 'Initiatory' action provides that the Legislature, in this instance, may adopt the petitions, overriding the vote of the people, or turn the petitions down, or take no action at all. If turned down, or no action is taken, the petitions then place the issue on the ballot in the next general election. The Attorney General will rule soon on whether such an election will take place this November or in 1972.

"In the recent State Capitol hearing on the 'Initiatory' action, I noted lapel signs on the clothing of many Chamber representatives and that such signs, all advocating 'double Daylight Savings Time' were worn by Chamber members as widely separated geographically as Monroe and Grand Rapids. To me, this represents some sort of central organization.

"After my recent conversation with Mr. Wickham, I was almost ready to admit I had wrongly accused the State Chamber this year. However, in view of Mr. Hall's letter and the reprehensible action of Mr. Hall and Mr. Wickham, I can condemn Mr. Hall and surmise that Mr. Hall's denials, if not wholly untrue, are at least questionable."

RAY MITTAN
Benton Harbor
State Representative
44th District

anty whatever in favor of the reckless driver or pedestrian who attempts to win a deadly race against time, space and motion. Every railroad in America can show evidence where drivers have ignored the gates and driven around the same to beat the train and failing to do so shocked the community and thus be characterized a martyr. "Only fools enter where angels fear to tread," (ancient philosophy, but oh, how true.) Even gates are disregarded by many.

We cannot with all fairness charge any crossing accident to the railroad. Accidents just don't happen. They are caused by human neglect to observe standard rules of personal safety. We witness this daily on the highways and in the homes. We ease our mind and conscience with the thought, "it won't happen to me."

Before we put pressure on the railroads to increase safety measures by installation of the various devices involving a large outlay of finance to them and to the community, why not examine our own shortcomings in this respect?

Have we guarded both approaches to these crossings by the installation of sufficient and adequate warning signs?

Are these signs large, well lighted, painted and at a reasonable distance away from the intersection?

Are the approaches free of obstruction such as trees, shrubbery, etc?

Are the approaches well lighted and periodically checked and maintained by the community? These approaches are a community property and the community is fully responsible for the protection of people while on community property, providing however, that laws and ordinances have been or are being obeyed.

To spend \$38,000, Bridgman's share, merely on flashers is throwing good money after bad, as it were. Without the support of gates it becomes a half way measure. Without the latter there is nothing under the sun which will prevent the reckless from committing involuntary suicide.

Lights mean nothing, but gates with lights can prove itself a deterrent, at least a partial one. Even a drunk driver can recognize a barricade if seen from a reasonable distance.

WILLIAM A. RODGERS
Bridgman

DR. COLEMAN

..And Speaking
Of Your Health.

There is only one thing worse than being a rich man with gout. And that is, being a poor man with gout.

Gout, once thought to be the status symbol disease of the rich, is now the unpleasant property of people in all levels of society.

Everyone can recall the picture of the overweight tycoon sitting in his overstuffed armchair, with one foot elevated on a downy pillow, the large toe encased in mounds of protective bandage.

Anyone who suffers with gout can tell you that there is nothing funny about this picture, or this disease.

Gout is a peculiar disorder and disturbance of the manufacture and elimination of uric acid.

Some people tend to accumulate uric acid in the blood more readily than others. When they do, the symptoms of gout are likely to appear.

There seems to be some hereditary or family tendency towards gout. These people particularly should be careful of their diet, for there are specific foods responsible for this condition.

These foods contain high amounts of purine, a substance from which uric acid is derived.

Especially high in purine are cauliflower, asparagus, lentils, peas, anchovies, liver, brain, meat extracts, sweetbreads and gravy. Alcohol, in particular, should be avoided.

At first glance, it sounds as if a starvation diet is all that is left for the gout sufferer. This is

not true.

Limitless meats, fish and vegetables are low in purine and therefore do not increase the uric acid in the blood.

Gout is a disorder that involves many organs of the body, and causes symptoms far removed from just the known aches and pains in the big toe.

It takes a blood study for uric acid to make the diagnosis of gout. Once this is established, excellent forms of treatment are available.

One drug — probenecid — is used to encourage the elimination of uric acid from the blood by way of the urine. It can be taken for years, under the direction of a physician, to insure the elimination of uric acid.

A new and valuable drug — allopurinol — prevents the formation of uric acid from the purines in food. Sometimes both drugs are used in conjunction with the known dietary restrictions.

In difficult, painful cases, cortisone and colchicine are tremendously effective.

Gout can be anybody's disease and should be uncovered early to avoid unpleasant complications.

SPEAKING OF YOUR HEALTH: Eyedroppers and eyedrops should be discarded when the eye infection is controlled. The drops themselves can become contaminated.

Dr. Lester Coleman has a special eye-care booklet available for readers of this column called, "What You Should Know About Glaucoma and Cataracts." For your copy, send 25 cents in coin and a large, self-addressed 6-cent stamped envelope to Lester L. Coleman, M.D., P.O. Box 5170, Grand Central Station, New York, N.Y. 10017. Please mention the booklet by title.

JAY BECKER

Contract Bridge

You are West, defending against Five Spades.

♠ K 10 8 7 4 2
♥ 10 6 5
♦ Q 4
♣ 8 3

♠ K 8 7 4 2
♥ 8 6
♦ A K J 10 9 4
♣

The bidding has been:

South West North East
1 ♠ 2 ♣ 2 ♠ 3 ♣
4 ♠ 5 ♣ 5 ♠

Let's say you start by cashing the K-A of clubs. East playing the 7-5 and South the 6-2. You might now regret having failed to lead a low club at trick two, since partner on the bidding is likely to have the queen, but there you are and that is the situation the actual West player faced in this hand from a team of four championship. What would you play now?

Obviously you cannot lead a club, which would give declarer a ruff and discard, so you are forced to lead a heart or a diamond. Strange as it may seem, the proper play is a low heart.

Of course, if you were to simply follow the general rule of not leading away from a king, you would return a diamond — and live to rue the day. Declarer's hand happened to

be:

♠ A Q 9 8 3 ♥ 9 ♦ A K 10 7 2 ♣ 6 2

The player who sat West did lead a diamond, and South proceeded to make the contract, since he was able to dispose of dummy's three hearts on his good diamonds.

The clue to the right defense is the bidding. It is clear that East's three club bid must have been founded on more than just three clubs to the queen. He is practically sure to have a trick in either hearts or diamonds, and your play at trick three must be chosen with an eye to not letting this trick get away.

If you lead a heart and East has no values in hearts, it is reasonable to expect him to have a trick in diamonds in the form of the ace or the K-J. This trick cannot run away, for declarer has nowhere to park dummy's diamonds.

However, a diamond return does not offer the same solid expectation of success. If East has nothing in diamonds, you may lose the hand by this return — which is what actually happened.

It is difficult, if not impossible, to construct a hand consistent with the bidding and play where the heart return at trick three can cost you the contract. Under the circumstances, a low heart is the only safe play you can make.

RUTH RAMSEY

Today's Grab Bag

THE ANSWER QUICK!
1 — What city is known for its Golden Triangle?
2 — What city is known for its Back Bay?
3 — What city is known for its Left Bank?
4 — What city is known for its Boardwalk?
5 — What city is known for Sackville Street?

BORN TODAY
Loren Maazel has been called the leading conductor of his generation. He is the first American conductor to establish his reputation in Europe before he received acclaim in his own country.

A one-time child prodigy, he is known for his phenomenal memory for scores, his precision with the baton and his close attention to the details of phrasing.

Descended from a long line of musicians and doctors, Maazel was born in 1930 in Neuilly, France, a suburb of Paris. His parents found out early that he had remarkable rhythmic gifts, absolute pitch, an extraordinary memory and an aptitude for phrasing.

His formal instruction in the violin began when he was five years old and, two years later, he was sent to study under Valdimir Bakaleinikoff, then as-

sociated conductor of the Los Angeles Philharmonic.

Maazel began his conducting career by leading a rehearsal of the Los Angeles Philharmonic. He made his formal debut at the age of eight when he conducted the symphony orchestra of the University of Idaho.

He faced his ultimate test when Arturo Toscanini invited him to conduct two concerts of the NBC Symphony in the summer of 1941. When he showed up at his first rehearsal, the players were sucking lollipops and staring at him defiantly. He earned their respect when he instantly detected the first wrong note.

The interest of the public dropped when the prodigy reached adolescence. He went to Rome in the fall of 1958 to study baroque music on a Fulbright scholarship.

After a successful European tour, he made his first extensive tour of the U.S. in 1962-63 season. He returned to Europe and further acclaim. He has recorded extensively and is in demand as a conductor.

YOUR FUTURE
You are likely to benefit substantially but exercise control. Today's child will be very ambitious.

HOW'D YOU MAKE OUT?
1 — Pittsburgh.
2 — Boston.
3 — Paris.
4 — Atlantic City.
5 — Dublin.

Loot Worth \$30,000 Linked To Arrests In BH And Benton

Benton Harbor and Benton township police are attempting to tie the seven men under arrest to a series of burglaries in which some \$20,000 to \$30,000 of loot has been taken in recent months.

Detectives from the two departments said a broadening investigation has already led to the recovery of 12 stolen firearms, a television set and two tires.

Det. James Ward of the Benton Harbor department said an estimated \$20,000 to \$30,000 worth of items has been taken from buildings, mostly homes, in Benton Harbor, Benton township and Sodus township in recent months.

Several arrests earlier this week led police to attempt to tie the series of thefts to a ring.

ATTENDANT ARRESTED

The latest arrest was that of

a gas station attendant, Leroy Welche, 22, of 2472 Irving drive, Benton Heights. Welche appeared in Fifth district court yesterday on a charge of possessing stolen property over \$100 and demanded examination to the charge. Bond was set at \$2,000.

Six of the firearms were recovered from a Benton Heights residence at 2402 Irving drive; four were found in a warehouse at 1492 M-139 and two were located at a rural address in Hartford, police said.

Earlier arrests included: Marvin H. "Sleepy" Hickman, 35, of 703 McGuigan street, Benton Harbor; Phil Damico, 26, of US-33; Willie James Early Cooper, 26, of 1258 Blossom lane, Benton township, on charges of possessing stolen property over \$100.

Charles Elwood Bradley, 20,

of 221 South McCord street, Benton Harbor; Daryl Lee Moon, 19, of 740 Thresher avenue; and Arthur Mosley, 19, of 263 Brunson street, Benton Harbor, on charges of breaking and entering.

WARNS OF BARGAINS

Ward said additional items are expected to be recovered. He advised persons who may have purchased guns and other equipment at a cheap price to contact police if they think the equipment is stolen.

He also said people who have had guns stolen should contact the department to see if their weapons have been recovered.

The investigation was being made by Dets. Sam Watson and Ward from Benton Harbor and Lt. Jack Drach and Det. Charles Brooks from Benton township.



SEEK OWNERS: Benton township Det. Charles Brooks (left) and Benton Harbor Det. James Ward examine 12 firearms that were confiscated with the arrest of a gas station attendant Wednesday. (Staff photos)

NEXT WEEK

BH Will Listen To Tax Gripes

The Benton Harbor board of review will be in session four days next week to hear complaints on tax assessments.

Hours at city hall are Monday, Wednesday and Friday, 9 to noon and 2 to 5 p.m.; Thursday 3 to 5 p.m. continuously. The board will not meet Tuesday. Appellants should register first at the assessor's office.

Members of the board are Mayor Wilbert Smith and Supervisors Cliff Stevens, Mrs. Elizabeth Minolt and Mrs. Luia Lee.

U.S. Probes Sex Bias At MSU

EAST LANSING (AP)—Federal officials today promised a speedy investigation of charges by a women's group that there was discrimination against women at Michigan State University.

Officials at the Chicago office of the Health, Education and Welfare Department (HEW) said the charges had been filed by Dr. Bernice Sandler of Washington, a member of the Women's Equity Action League.

Among the charges listed were accusations that women graduate students are less likely to get financial aid than their male counterparts and that only seven women on the college faculty and administration were recommended for promotion, compared to 192 men who were recommended.

Robert Perrin, MSU vice president for university relations, said MSU had an active program underway at all times to prevent any possible discrimination.

"I think it is interesting," he said, "that the charges now filed seem to be based primarily on figures the university itself developed for the sole purpose of insuring that any necessary corrective steps be taken."

Two Girls Accused Of Shoplifting

Benton Harbor police said a female picked up for shoplifting yesterday claimed she was 10—until police found a family ADC card that gave her age as 16.

She and another girl, aged 12, were charged with stealing a bottle of hair dye at Clinton's discount store, 140 East Main street. The two were petitioned to Berrien juvenile court and released to their mothers.

Two Berrien Deputies Promoted

Berrien County Sheriff Forrest "Nick" Jewell today announced the promotion of Douglas Fishburn and James A. Leonard to the positions of sergeant.

They fill positions vacated by John Gillespie and Eugene Ekland, who have left the department.

Fishburn, 34, has been a sheriff's deputy for six years and previous to that a St. Joseph patrolman for three. He was in the U.S. Marine Corps for three years, is a graduate of St. Joseph high school and has attended Western Michigan university.

He and his wife, Roberta, and their two children reside in Berrien Springs.

Leonard, 26, has been a sheriff's deputy for four years and worked part of that time as a plainclothes detective. Prior to joining the department, he was a U.S. Coast Guardsman for four years.

Leonard is originally from Fort Wayne, Ind., and lives in south St. Joseph with his wife, Susan, who teaches in the St. Joseph school system.



DOUGLAS FISHBURN



JAMES A. LEONARD

STEVENSVILLE STUDIES PROBLEM

Order Rescinds Parallel Parking

The Stevensville village council last night rescinded its recent order for the parallel parking of cars along the west side of St. Joseph avenue through its business district.

President Conrad Stampohar said the move clears the way for further study of other means to control congestion in the village's two-block main business area. The parallel parking was to replace present angle parking but no change date has been set.

SURVEY MADE
The rescinding motion came after Trustee Duane Nolan reported the findings of a one-day survey conducted by himself and Trustee Charles Koch, and businessmen Don DeFord, Richard Boelke and Max Corwin.

The survey brought out three significant points, he said: 1. snow building up at the curbs in effect narrowed the roadway, 2. irresponsible parking practices consistently resulted in disruptive, sometimes dangerous con-

ditions, and 3. vans and pick-ups regularly parked in areas marked to prohibit trucks.

Nolan said that instead of parallel parking to solve the congestion the committee favored greater merchant cooperation for early snow removal from sidewalks, enforced "no truck" parking, and the adoption of a village parking ticket.

He said the committee also favored the appointment of a village marshal, if allowed under the village's statutes.

Nolan was instructed to keep the committee working on the problem, and to return with a proposed course of action at the next meeting.

In other action the council approved the payment of annual salaries to village trustees. The amounts approved were: \$195 for Koch; \$685 for B. W. Yaslick, which includes compensation for regular and special meetings, fire board meetings, and his role as street administrator; \$187 for Nolan,

\$210 for Robert Sturch, \$277 for Richard Zandarski, which includes his fees as building inspector; and \$20 for Charles Eversole, a recent appointee.

Salaries for other village officers included: President Stampohar, \$500; Clerk Bernice Schoenfelder, who was appointed in January, \$450; Treasurer Edna Zandarski, \$1,500; and Assessor Harold Statter, \$300.

POPULATION UP
Stampohar said that the new census report lists Stevensville's population at 1,070, an increase of 53.5 per cent over 1960's total of 697.

Stampohar told the council that last Monday workmen of the Southwest Construction company, Benton Harbor, made an unauthorized tap into a water main on St. Joseph avenue.

He said the tap was to connect the village water system to the Lakeshore Mobile Estates trailer park, being built by Allen Grams, 2604 South State street, St. Joseph. The workmen disrupted water

service to private homes and to Stevensville elementary school for nearly three hours, he said. He also read a letter from Mrs. Laura Long, 6053 St. Joseph avenue, who said equipment used by the workmen created vibrations that cracked plaster in her house across the road from where they worked.

The council instructed the clerk to contact the company and request the appearance of a representative at the next council meeting.

Yaslick reported to the council that sometime within the past four years an unauthorized water connection was made to a house on St. Joseph avenue, presently being rented by George Eckel. The house is owned, he said, by Edwin Mendel, 395 Hoover street, Benton Harbor.

The board authorized the village attorney to determine what means are open to them to recover the unpaid water fees. Stampohar read into the record the following procedure to

be followed by persons wishing to tap into the new sewer lines installed in connection with the Lake Michigan Shoreline Water and Sewer Authority:

"All connections to main or trunklines shall be approved by the City of St. Joseph. All connections to the user shall be inspected by the City of St. Joseph and all installations shall conform to Michigan State plumbing codes and regulations."

"And all requests for connection shall be made to the water authority to be forwarded to the City of St. Joseph."

ELECTION WORKER
The appointment of Mrs. Janet Krieger as an election worker Monday was approved. She replaces Mrs. Florence Radde, who will be unavailable during the day. Mrs. Radde will assist the election staff after 6 p.m. at a wage of \$1.35 per hour.

The council gave approval of (See back page, sec. 1, col. 8)

Would Limit SJ Parking To 2 Hours

St. Joseph planning commissioners yesterday recommended to St. Joseph city commission that 136 off-street, all-day parking places be made two-hour spaces.

The planning commission also recommended no parking spaces be leased.

The city commission had received a request from Lee Hornack, representing owners of the 505 building at Pleasant street and Lake Boulevard, that an unspecified number of parking spaces in the adjoining parking lot be leased to the building owners for assigned use of tenants.

FILL UP SPACES

Hornack suggested if the request was denied that the city consider changing all-day parking to two-hour parking. He charged that downtown workers who come to work before shops are open fill up all of the available parking places.

James Mason, chairman, John Fellers, Richard Lambrecht and Lee Solent of the planning commission recently met with City Manager Leland L. Hill, Mayor Pro-tem C. A. Tobias and Supt. Gerald Hepler and formed the recommendation that was presented to the planning commission yesterday.

Of the city's 11 parking lots, five would be switched from all-day to two-hour parking.

These lots and the number of cars affected:

Senior citizen lot, 24 spaces; Whitecomb lot 30 spaces; Lake boulevard, 30 spaces; and adjoining Lake boulevard lot 30 spaces, and a lot at Ship and Main streets 22 spaces.

The recommendation will go to the St. Joseph City commission.

Planners approved site plan and preliminary plans for a new Dunkin' Donut shop at Niles and Highland streets, St. Joseph.

Holland Plans Downtown Mall

HOLLAND (AP)—The Holland City Commission Wednesday night approved a notice of intent to sell \$150,000 worth of special assessment bonds to finance a downtown, pedestrian shopping mall. The money raised by the bonds will be spent in blocking off two blocks of Eighth Street, creating a system of one-way streets and making new parking spaces available. The project is supposed to be finished in June 1972.

DENY REPORT

MANILA (AP)—National police headquarters denied today that a band of armed Muslims had attacked Iligan on Mindanao Island and seized the provincial capital.



C. H. SMITH, JR.

Rotary Club Will Host Chamber

C. H. Smith, Jr., chairman of the board of SIFCO Industries, Inc., of Cleveland, Ohio, and vice president of the U. S. Chamber of Commerce will present the certificate of accreditation to representatives of the local Chamber of Commerce at a recognition luncheon hosted by the Twin City Rotary club Monday noon at the St. Joseph Elks.

Chamber President Walter B. Laetz said Smith will also be the luncheon speaker. Smith, a native of Cleveland, was elected president of the Steel Improvement Company when he was 22 years old following the death of his father. Smith trained as a metallurgist and in 1942 was graduated from Massachusetts Institute of Technology with a B.S. degree.

He is a director of numerous national and international firms. They are: SIFCO Industries, Inc.; Bharat Forge Company Limited, Poona, India; Custom Tool & Mfg. Company, Minneapolis, Minnesota; Schick Products, Inc., San Francisco, California; and Formel Corporation, Avon, Ohio.

AIDED IKE
He was a member of former President Eisenhower's committee on manpower resources for national security and the International Private Investment Advisory committee to the United States State Department.

He was selected as Cleveland's outstanding young man in 1954; one of Ohio's five outstanding young men in 1954 and one of America's ten outstanding young men in 1955.

Laetz said chamber members have been sent invitations to the awards luncheon, but if any member did not receive one reservations may be made by calling the chamber office at 925-0044.

Amnesty Pays Off

ROCHESTER, N.Y. (AP)—The City of Rochester announced last December that overdue parking tickets could be paid without penalty in January and February.

As a result \$250,000 in previously uncollected fines were paid. City Manager Kermit Hill said.

FAIRPLAIN, HARTFORD

Music Festivals Scheduled In Area

Junior high band and orchestra festivals will be held Saturday at Fairplain junior high and Hartford high school. Fourteen musical groups will perform at Fairplain and 10 bands will play at Hartford.

The schedule at Fairplain: 8 a. m., Fairplain Concert band; 8:30, Coloma; 9, South Haven; 9:45 River Valley 10:15, Mattawan; 10:45, Brandywine; 11:15, Edwardsburg 1 p. m., Fairplain orchestra 1:30, Lakeshore "B" band; 2, St. Joseph Upton; 2:30, St. Joseph Milton; 3, Buchanan, 3:30, Berrien Springs; 4, Lakeshore "A" band.

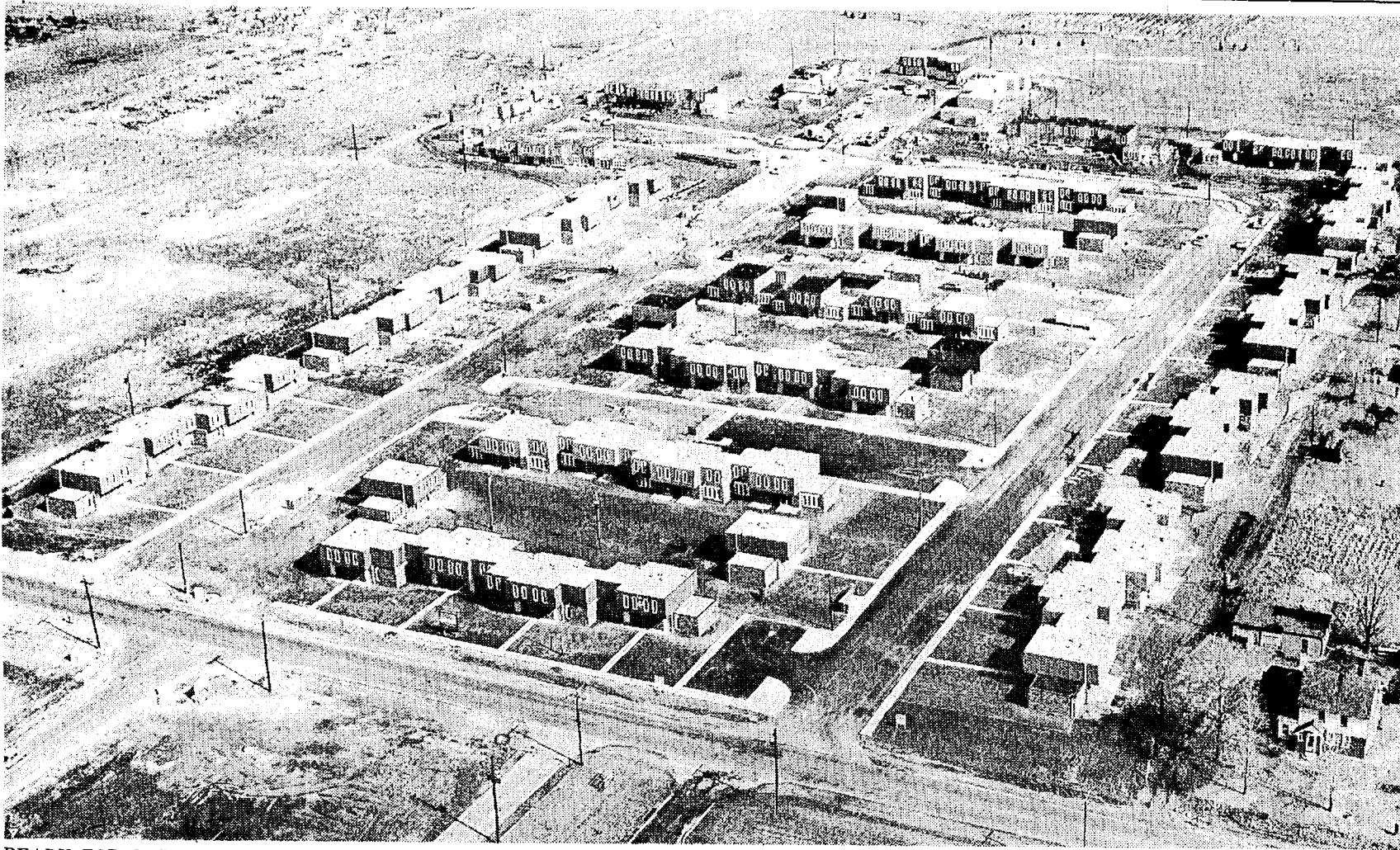
Judges will be Hubert Butler, Western Michigan university; Thad Heegerberg, Traverse city high school; Jim Atwood, Dundee high school; Robert Lee, Portage junior high.

Each group will play a march of its choice, a required selection, its own selection, and two sight reading pieces. The schedule at Hartford: 8 a. m., Hartford; 8:30, Buchanan "B" band; 9, Lawrence; 9:45, Decatur; 10:15, Eau Claire; 11:15, Gobles 1 p. m., Fairplain Varsity band 1:30, Marcellus; 2, New Buffalo; 2:30, Dowagiac.



MISSING: Benton Harbor police have been asked to search for Annette Bridwell, 13, of 644 Pearl street, daughter of Mrs. Hester Bridwell. Mrs. Bridwell reported her daughter was last seen at 10 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 27, leaving a downtown restaurant. She is 5 feet tall, weighs 125 pounds, blond hair, blue eyes, was wearing blue striped flared slacks, long sleeve white shirt, blue nylon jacket with yellow trim.

ST. JOSEPH, MICH. FRIDAY, MARCH 5, 1971



READY FOR OCCUPANCY: Berrien Homes subdivision, a \$2,651,000 complex of 27 town house buildings built under sponsorship of Berrien County Council of Churches, will receive first occupants

this month. Project, located on South Crystal avenue, Benton township, across bottom, has total of 160 living units. Council of Churches undertook project for low and middle income families. Project

was financed through Federal Housing Administration (FHA). (Aerial photo by Adolph Hann)

Intermediate Budget Rises 15 Per Cent

BERRIEN SPRINGS — The Berrien county Intermediate school district board here last night unanimously approved a tentative 1971-72 Intermediate general budget of \$370,335, up 15.8 per cent from this year.

Representatives from the Intermediate's 16 constituent local school districts recommended the \$370,335 budget on Feb. 25 to provide increased services to local schools by the Intermediate's data processing center.

The Intermediate board last night followed these recommendations and approved the general budget and a line item of \$155,000 for data processing, up from \$128,240 in the old budget, said Doyle Barkmeier, Intermediate superintendent.

\$11,000 EQUIPMENT

The increased data processing services will require about \$11,000 in equipment, materials and a key punch operator. The board last night voted to pay \$5,260 to low bidder Uarco, Inc., of South Bend, for data processing equipment to print, sign and separate paychecks and other forms, Barkmeier reported.

The budget adopted last night is still tentative until the Intermediate gets its share of the 15 mill county tax — from the county tax allocation board — and state aid predicted at \$159,000, Barkmeier said.

The budget will require .199 mills in county tax. The old budget required .179 mills, and representatives of constituent local school districts agreed to give up the extra .02 mills needed for the .199 mills, Barkmeier reported earlier.

Also last night, the Intermediate board:

- Received petitions to transfer the 28½-acre Wayne Hosbein parcel at route 1, box 443-A, Boyer road, Bainbridge township, from Benton Harbor to Coloma school district. The Hosbeins have a five-year-old son who will start school next fall and seek the change on grounds that the Coloma bus stops nearby, that they live closer to Coloma than Benton Harbor, and that they dislike the present school situation in Benton Harbor, Barkmeier said.

- A public hearing on the transfer is set for April 1 at 8 p.m. in the Intermediate headquarters.

- Tabled to obtain further information on a request by directors of the Berrien county fairgrounds at Berrien Springs to use the Intermediate headquarters parking lot during the county youth fair starting Aug. 16.

- Voted to hire replacements for an Intermediate bookkeeper and key punch operator who resigned. The new employees are, respectively, Mrs. Donna

Cooper and Mrs. Linda Snide, both of Berrien Springs.

- And approved February bills of \$12,200 for general and special education expenses.

Supt. Barkmeier also reported the county treasurer advanced the Intermediate about \$200,000 a week ago from county winter tax collections to help tide the Intermediate system over a financial pothole. Normally the Intermediate gets its full share April 15 but it needed money sooner to meet payroll, materials and local school district special education expenses.



PAT O'MALLEY

O'Malley To Head Floral Parade

Pat O'Malley, a Michigan Bell telephone plant supervisor, has been named parade chairman of Blossomtime's 1971 Grand Floral parade. The announcement was made by Donald Humphrey, president of Blossomtime, Inc.

The Blossom festival starts May 2 and the Grand Floral parade will cap the week's festivities on Saturday, May 8. The parade is the climaxing feature of Blossom Week.

Humphrey said O'Malley has served on many Blossomtime committees and was the 1962 parade chairman. Robert G. Hartman, also with Michigan Bell, was named line-up chairman to assist O'Malley.

Humphrey added that a committee of 12 will be selected later to help with the many parade duties. Mike Smith, an employee of Advance trade school, will serve as coordinator.

O'Malley has been a musician since the early 1940's when he played with big name dance bands. In the 1950's he led an area band of 12 to 13 pieces. He now has a three-piece band which is playing at the Captain's Table in Benton Harbor.

A native of Chicago, O'Malley moved to Watervliet in 1947 and came to Benton Harbor in 1949. He resides at 1120 Lavette street.

Sawyer Will Get New Fire Truck

LAKESIDE — Approval to purchase a new tanker fire truck for the Sawyer Fire department was given last night by the Chikaming township board.

The new tanker will replace an old one already located at the Sawyer station. No cost estimates or specifications on the new truck have been determined.

In other business, the board voted to retain the firm of Beckstoft and Bussler of Niles to audit the township's books on March 16 and 17.

The board also set March 23 as the annual settlement day to close all outstanding accounts.

Traffic Deaths

By THE ASSOCIATED PRESS
March 5 State Police Count
This Year
Last Year

251
346

'GRIM SITUATION'

Deer Facing Starvation In U.P.

By BOB VOGES
Associated Press Writer
LANSING (AP) — Folks feeding deer in Michigan's northern Lower Peninsula estimate one out of three face starvation because of the rough winter.

Dave Arnold, Michigan Department of Natural Resources game expert, said he would not vouch for the accuracy of the figure but declared the deer herd "faces a grim situation."

The estimate, Arnold told the Natural Resources Commission, came from people applying for excess federal corn to feed the deer.

"The snow up there ranges

Berrien Suing 2 Landowners

The Berrien county road commission filed suit Thursday in Berrien circuit court against two St. Joseph township families to obtain land for widening a road and straightening Cleveland avenue near Hickory creek.

The defendant landowners were listed as Mr. and Mrs. Daniel P. Reynolds of 3008 Bonnie lane, St. Joseph, and Mr. and Mrs. Frank W. A. Nemethy of Cleveland avenue, St. Joseph.

Suits by St. Joseph Atty. Joseph Killian seek to condemn a 17-foot-wide, 620-foot-long strip beside Cleveland south of Hickory creek on the Reynolds parcel; and a 7-foot-wide, 325-foot-long strip beside Cleveland north of Hickory creek on the Nemethy parcel.

from three to more than four feet," he reported at the commission's informal meeting Thursday.

CAN'T MOVE AROUND
Alarmed citizens estimated 100,000 of the approximate 300,000 deer in the northern Lower Peninsula might starve because they are confined to yarding areas and unable to range out for browse.

More than 60,000 bushels of corn already have been fed deer in the area. Another 5,500 bushels of corn has been distributed in the Upper Peninsula.

Arnold said there has been "tremendous support" from the public seeking to aid the starving deer.

"There have been some problems of overfeeding," he added. "Well meaning people sometimes just give the deer too much corn."

It is not the natural diet for the deer, Arnold explained, and can lead to bloating and even death.

Arnold said there was one case of misuse of corn — a man near Ypsilanti feeding deer on his own property.

The department does not have a large enough budget, Arnold complained, to send out crews to cut browse for the deer.

"We have some people running around with chain saws felling trees — but not enough," he said.

Arnold said 18 deer have been found dead of starvation in the Gaylord area alone.

EXTREME COLD

In the Upper Peninsula, he said, the winter kill mostly has been from the extreme cold.

The most severe effect of the grim winter conditions, Arnold said, won't show up until the

time of the spring fawn crop. Weakened deer do not reproduce well and this next fall and two years from now, deer numbers will be down, he predicted.

"No doubt about it," agreed department director Ralph MacMullan. "Our northern deer herd is in the throes of a monster winter."

MacMullan said the situation in the Upper Peninsula "is particularly sad" because of the ban on shooting does and fawns there last fall.

"Thousands of deer which could have been taken by hunters now face the threat of being wasted by winter," MacMullan said. "It's a downright shame."

Another problem, Arnold said, is that of dogs running deer and

sometimes killing them or causing the whitetails to die of exhaustion.

"In some places the snow crust won't support a deer but will support a dog," he said. "The problem is compounded by people driving snowmobiles into deer yards. The dogs just follow the snowmobile tracks in and harass the deer."

In areas where an antlerless deer season has been allowed, Arnold contended, the deer are in better shape because the numbers are in more favorable proportion to the feed available.

EARLY SPRING

About the only thing that can help the deer herd now, Arnold said, is an early spring melt and no additional snow.

The commission heard two

BERRIEN

Easter Seal Drive To Start Monday

The 1971 Easter Seal campaign in Berrien county will begin next Monday and run through Easter, April 11, with leaders pegging their goal at \$17,500, reported James E. Taylor, trust officer for the Farmers & Merchants National bank, who is general chairman of the drive.

The Berrien County Society for Crippled Children is the major recipient of Easter Seal funds. The society provides physically handicapped children and their families varied services, including visiting nurses and free loan of equipment.

Taylor said Atty. Rodger Bit-

ner will serve as Twin Cities area chairman.

Other area chairmen are Marshall Badt, president of Badt's pharmacy, Coloma, Coloma-Watervliet area; James Behlen, assistant cashier, Farmers & Merchants bank, Bridgman office, Stevensville-Bridgman area; Donald Krieger, manager, Pifer funeral home, the Niles area; and Edwin Stark, River Valley high school guidance director, for the Galien, Three Oaks and New Buffalo areas.

Man Pleads Innocent

ALLEGAN — A 24-year-old man pleaded innocent Thursday in 57th District court during arraignment on charges of assault with intent to commit murder and assault with intent to do great bodily harm.

Wayne Coon, route 5, Allegan, made the plea before Judge Elizabeth Ramsey who set bond at \$25,000 and set the trial date for March 15.

Coon was arrested Wednesday night at his home by Allegan county sheriff's deputies after two motorists were threatened in front of his home and a shot fired at another family driving past the home.



'QUEEN' JOINS DRIVE: Miss Sandra Grams of St. Joseph, 1970 Miss Blossomtime, will serve as honorary chairman of Berrien county Easter Seal drive, to begin Monday in quest of \$17,500 to aid handicapped children. Children here are, from left: Pamela Green, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Joe Green, Coloma; Sidney Hullett, son of Mr. and Mrs. Leevorst Hullett, Benton Harbor; and Lynn Baggett, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Baggett, Harbert. Children and Miss Grams are in company of the "Easter Bunny," who made recent visit to Benton Harbor preschool training center, where children are students.

Senate Taking Time To Cool Hot Tempers

LANSING (AP) — Playing a "let it simmer" waiting game, the Michigan Senate conducted only routine business Thursday and no roll call votes were taken.

GOP Leader Robert VanderLaan of Kentwood talked of a cooling off strategy, aimed at calming tempers that flared during a partisan floor battle Wednesday.

That fight, spared by Democratic attempts to show Republicans they would not accept GOP control in the evenly divided chamber, led to the temporary defeat of four minor bills.

DEMOCRATS UNITED

A united Democratic mem-

bership voted against all four bills — including two sponsored by members of their own party. Their no vote explanations repeatedly pointed out that a bill requires 20 votes to pass, and the 19 Republicans cannot make law without some Democratic help.

But the Democratic unity fell apart at the end of session, when John McCauley, D-Grosse Ile, shouted his intentions to balk at the "no vote" caucus line in future voting.

Sources indicated Thursday that McCauley, who was not present, had changed his mind and would probably return to the caucus position when the Senate reconvenes Monday.

Alluding to the incident, VanderLaan said "There's no use to rub it in."

CRUCIAL MATTER

He expressed confidence that Democrats would not continue their opposition line — especially when measures of particular importance to them came up for votes. VanderLaan cited an expected bill that would grant some \$3 million to financially ailing Wayne Community College.

VanderLaan said Republicans would not accept Democratic demands for equality on the Senate committees, which now are all chaired by GOP senators and include a majority of GOP members.